

KING FERDINAND OF RUMANIA FORCED FROM THRONE

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SEPARATE PEACE IN TEN DAYS

BOLSHEVIKI PROPAGANDA BEARS FRUIT; PRINCE FAVORED FOR THRONE.

(By Associated Press.)
The Rumanian king has abdicated in favor of the crown prince, according to Petrograd advices.
Leon Trotsky, Bolshevik foreign minister, told the council of workers' and soldiers' delegates that Russia will be forced to conclude a separate peace with Germany unless the entente allies join in the negotiations within ten days.
England and France have already declared the German terms insufficient.

It is believed a shell from an American steamer sank a German submarine Thursday near the British Isles.
Disturbed conditions in Rumania were reported in a Petrograd dispatch Monday which said the Bolshevik headquarters had received news of a revolutionary plot against King Ferdinand. It had been reported Bolsheviks and German propagandists had been working among the Rumanian troops.
Ferdinand's son, Prince Leopold of Hohenzollern-Sigmaringen, and two of his brothers are generals in the German army.

(By Associated Press.)
STOCKHOLM, Dec. 29.—An American diplomatic courier on his way to Petrograd has been refused admission to Russia on the ground that his pass had not been vided by H. Burovsky, the Bolshevik minister at Stockholm. This is the first time that a regular courier's pass has not been honored.
It is assumed here that the Bolsheviks hope in this way to exert pressure and compel the indirect recognition of their foreign representatives.

MERRY SCRAP IN CAL. OVER DEFENSE BOARD

(By Associated Press.)
SACRAMENTO, Cal., Dec. 29.—The governor today announced he had removed John Francis Neylan from the council of defense "because his personal political activity interferes with important work." The council named Chairman DeMott of the state board of control as his successor.
The governor said he had not received Neylan's resignation, made public last night in San Francisco, in which Neylan charged the council was a "powerless, extravagant, parasitic and a question that may prove embarrassing to the state officials."
Neylan claimed the salary of \$500 monthly paid Vice-Chairman Naffziger was "indefensible," and asserted the council did not solve the labor problem.

(By Associated Press.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 29.—Neylan said his charges were specific and it was up to the governor to "answer the facts."
(By Associated Press.)
LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 29.—Naffziger termed Neylan's attack on the recent financial statement of the council "without color of truth." Neylan, he said, was "from first to last notoriously opposed to and obstructed the work."
He said "doubtless" the public will recognize that Neylan's criticism is "due to personal pique and political disappointment."

ECONOMIST PREDICTS U. S. OWNERSHIP SOON

(By Associated Press.)
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 29.—The war will undoubtedly precipitate a solution of the problems which so long have confronted the government and the railroad management, in the opinion of C. A. Prouty, director of valuation of the Interstate Commerce commission, one of the speakers yesterday before the American Economic association. He predicted that within the next ten years there will either be government ownership of railroads or, at least, a fixed national policy to determine the valuation of railroads and to enable harmonious co-operation, looking to adequate service and uniform rates.
Mr. Prouty said that the valuation of the railroads of the country now being made would cost not more than \$10,000,000, of which the government's share would be about \$20,000,000.
Prof. John Bauer of Princeton university stated that the cost would approximate \$75,000,000 and he questioned the wisdom of spending so much money for the proposed valuation.

STRIKERS SHOULD BE TREATED AS TRAITORS

(By Associated Press.)
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 29.—Labor's part in the war was considered in its various phases by scientists attending annual conventions of learned societies allied with the American Historical association in yearly meeting here. Prof. Carl Kelsey of the University of Pennsylvania, addressing the American Sociological society, said the government must consider the subject of conscription of labor and arrange for its distribution the same as it conscripts soldiers.
"The time is coming," Professor Kelsey added, "to treat strikers as traitors. This must, however, afford no excuse for low wages or mistreatment of workers."

Speaking on farm production before the American Economic association, E. V. Wilcox, of the federal department of agriculture, said there are 700,000 retired farmers past middle age who could be recalled to the plough. He suggested the enlistment of 5,000,000 young men and boys between 16 and 21 years for work on farms and advocated the city-bred women spend their vacations on farms and help in the work as a national requirement.

U. S. WORKS TO AVOID BREACH WITH RUSSIA

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Ambassador Francis reported today that R. R. Stevens, manager of the National City branch bank in Petrograd, and his assistant, arrested when the Bolsheviks seized the bank, have been released.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Officials of the National City bank of New York have advised the state department of the news that the Bolshevik government in Petrograd had seized its branch in that city and arrested its manager, R. R. Stevens. Word from Ambassador Francis is awaited, as the department prefers to base any action it may take upon official reports in a matter of this kind where a question of life and death is not involved.

In view of the Bolshevik assertion that the Petrograd private banks had not made correct returns to the government, as required by law, an examination of the Russian banking laws will have to be made before any step is taken further than to seek assurances of the personal safety of Mr. Stevens.
Should it develop that seizure of the branch was illegal, officials think that for the present they could do no more than protest. The policy of the government is to go to any honorable lengths to avoid any breach with the Bolshevik regime at this time.

R. R. CHIEFS DENY WAGE INCREASES

MAKE NO SECRET OF BELIEF THAT GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP WILL COME.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The railroads today definitely refused the demands of the brotherhoods for a 40 per cent wage increase and turned the responsibility over entirely to the government. In making public the decision, the railway executives made no concealment of the feeling that government operation will be but a step to government ownership. They made clear they felt the public and stockholders demand it.
Operating committees of eastern railroads were directed to come to Washington immediately to sit with the railroad war board.

The railway workers decided not to press their demands until they have seen just what the railroad situation is to be. The formation of a government corporation to buy and market railroad securities is one of the plans considered for handling railroad finances.

The brotherhood chiefs assured the president that under no circumstances would they tie up transportation while the wage question is at issue. The executives based their belief that government ownership would result from war control on the theory that stockholders would never agree to them reverting to private hands when the revenues are guaranteed under government operation. They believe the formation of a continental railway combination will make impossible attempts to revive the old competitive system.

QUESTION DRY ZONE FOR YANKS DISCUSSED

(By Associated Press.)
WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Dec. 28.—(Friday)—General Pershing said today the question of prohibition of the sale of all intoxicating liquors to American troops is being discussed with the French government. He said he favored prohibition, but "obviously there are obstacles to forbidding wine shops in the army zone to do business, which is practically what the French would have them do."

CRITICISM OF FOOD DISTRIBUTION MADE

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, Dec. 29.—The national convention of trades unions, the labor party and war emergency workers today adopted resolutions protesting against "sufferings now unnecessarily inflicted upon the mass of urban consumers by the prolonged delay of the government in organizing an equitable system of distribution of food supplies."
They demanded equal sharing among all families without distinction as to wealth or class, with compulsory rationing.

PRINCESS IS FINED.

(By Associated Press.)
GENEVA, Dec. 29.—Princess Von Wrede has been condemned to pay a fine of \$100 and costs for buying and storing quantities of foodstuffs contrary to the Swiss laws.

CHILD BORN YESTERDAY.

Yesterday morning at the Miners' hospital a daughter was born to the wife of Rev. Harlan Bailey of the Episcopal church. Mrs. Bailey was today reported to be doing well.

FULL STORY OF SINKING OF SUBMARINES IS TOLD

Depth Bombs Smash Machinery of Under-Sea Craft; Gallant Yanks Save Crew

The navy department today made public the details of the destruction of a German submarine by the American destroyers Fanning and Nicholson on November 24. The department's story of the affair, which was previously reported, indicates the submarine was preparing to attack a flotilla of merchantment conveyed by the destroyers.
The Fanning sighted the periscope and both the destroyers dropped depth bombs.

The submarine reappeared and the destroyers opened fire.
After the third shot from the Fanning the submarine crew came on deck and surrendered. The Fanning cut a line to the submarine, but it sank and the crew swam to the Fanning.
A number of the submarine crew were exhausted when they reached the Fanning, although they wore life-belts. Five or six men were carried below the surface by the radio aerial of the submarine before they disentangled themselves.
Ten were so weak that lines were passed under them to haul them aboard. One was so weak he could not even hold the line. An American sailor jumped overboard and aided in the rescue, but the German died a few minutes later.

Boyle is Silent On Successor To Newlands

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 29.—In reply to a telegram asking him to affirm or deny a report that he was to resign as governor of Nevada, in order to accept the place as U. S. senator made vacant by the death of Senator Francis G. Newlands, Gov. Emmet D. Boyle of Nevada stated last night in a telegram sent from Marfa, Tex., to the Associated Press that he had nothing to say relative to the senatorial appointment in his home state. He is a passenger on a train from New Orleans to the Pacific coast.

SHIP BUILDERS ASK BIG PRICES

REAR ADMIRAL BLAMES THAT FOR DELAYS IN GOVERNMENT PROGRAM.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Former Rear Admiral Bowles, assistant to the general manager of the emergency fleet corporation, testifying before the senate committee investigating the shipping situation, declared that Pacific coast shipbuilders were anxious to get contracts, but only at very high prices. Pacific coast plants, he said, have increased their demands \$15 to \$20 a ton on steel ships, making the prices asked from

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\$567 A POUND BUTTER.

(By Associated Press.)
MARBLE ROCK, Ia., Dec. 29.—The pound of butter recently auctioned here by the Red Cross for \$567 and sent to President Wilson for Christmas brought a letter from Wilson saying: "I shall partake of the butter with awe; the price paid certainly is extraordinary evidence of patriotic interest."

TODAY AND A YEAR AGO.

Official readings of the thermometer by the United States observer at Tonopah.

	1917	1916
5 a. m.	44	18
9 a. m.	48	18
12 noon	50	23
2 p. m.	51	25
Maximum Dec. 28	52	19
Minimum Dec. 28	38	10
Relative humidity at 2 p. m.		
today, 36 per cent.		

13 OFFICERS, 108 MEN LOST; DISASTER OF DEC. 22 IS REPORTED TODAY

English Troops Inflict Another Severe Defeat on the Turks Near Jerusalem

ROME, Dec. 29.—Thirteen were killed and sixty injured when the open city of Radug was bombarded by enemy aviators. Three other towns were attacked.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—THREE BRITISH DESTROYERS WERE SUNK BY MINES OR SUBMARINES OFF THE DUTCH COAST THE NIGHT OF DECEMBER 22, WITH A LOSS OF 13 OFFICERS AND 108 MEN.

On the fighting fronts the British have inflicted another severe defeat upon the Turks near Jerusalem. North and west of the Holy City General Allenby's forces have made an advance of about two and one-half miles on a front of nine miles, after having repulsed a Turkish attack. The Turks suffered heavy casualties.

80 PER CENT OF CITY DESTROYED

LOW DEATH LIST AS RESULT OF SOUTH AMERICAN QUAKE.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Eighty per cent of Guatemala City was demolished by the earthquake that began Wednesday, according to advices today. There was a remarkably small loss of life. All legations are reported undamaged and their personnel safe. Martial law has been declared. Relief work is proceeding.

REPEAL 8-HOUR DAY.

(By Associated Press.)
SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 29.—The action of the Western Pine Manufacturers' association December 7, voting to put into effect the 8-hour day in the lumber camps and mills of Eastern Washington and Oregon, Northern Idaho and Western Montana, yesterday was rescinded by the association. It is announced by a committee of members.

WILL HOLD I. W. W.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Dec. 29.—The city commissioners instructed the chief of police today to continue to hold the alleged Industrial Workers of the World if they are not wanted by the federal authorities in connection with the dynamite investigation.

During November, General Greble said, 8,000 men, or about one-third of his command, passed through the hospital, with deaths from pneumonia, measles and other diseases averaging sixteen daily. At one time 1,800 men, he stated, were crowded into a hospital built to accommodate only a fraction of this number.

TEXAS MINE SCHOOL.

(By Associated Press.)
EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 29.—Students of the Texas School of Mines, located here, have only to step to the back door of the school buildings to conduct practical experiments in mining. The new buildings of the state mining school are set against a mountain which is highly mineralized and is an outdoor laboratory for the school.

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—Firemen today devoted their efforts to saving 15,000 pounds of sugar when called to fight a fire taking in a confectioner's establishment.

BUTLER THEATRE
TO-NIGHT
LOUISE GLAUM
As Peacock Siren in "IDOLATORS"
Portraying the character of girl who declares she will "four flush" her way to success on the stage, and she does.
Also
"A Foothill Folly"—Triangle Comedy
TOMORROW
Pauline Frederick, in "The Love That Lives," Pearl White, in "The Fatal Ring."
Matinee 1:30. Night 7 & 8:30
Admission 10c and 15c